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Chairman Julius Genachowski
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
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Dear Chairman Genachowski:

As President of the Iowa Motor Truck Association, I wish to share my views regarding AT&T's proposal to merge with T-Mobile USA, which is under review in the Commission's 11-65 docket.

By way of background, The Iowa Motor Truck Association was formed in 1942 after a group of motor carriers felt that Iowa's trucking industry needed a voice at the State Capitol. The association not only is the recognized voice of trucking, it is also a valued business partner to its more than 700 members through the variety of services and benefits it offers.

Though there has been much written about the mobile workforce of the future, truckers have always been the ultimate mobile workers. Their offices are the cabs of the trucks they drive, and their need for seamless, reliable communications and data services has never been greater.

Truckers are increasingly using Smartphones, I-Pads and other products to communicate and access data. Our members are just as focused on the networks that can support these tools. When we became aware of the possibilities of the next generation of mobile broadband networks, called 4G LTE, we realized that such a network would require considerable investment, scale and operational excellence to execute.

That is why we endorse the merger of AT&T and T-Mobile USA and recommend the Commission approve it. The work involved in constructing a state-of-the-art mobile broadband network is an enormous undertaking, and any provider needs sufficient size in order to complete it. Moreover, both companies are respected and, when combined, can deliver on their intent to build a 4G LTE network.

With such a network, truckers will be able to achieve even greater operational efficiencies in the transport of goods across the nation. Reliable logistics depend on a proven communications system; the better that system is, the better chance that goods can arrive safely and when promised.

We look forward to the next generation of networks and the Commission's approval of the AT&T-T-Mobile USA merger.

Sincerely,



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President

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